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Subject: Letter in support of Microsoft to Attorney General John Ashcroft

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Attorney General John Ashcroft US Department of Justice 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am familiar with the settlement that was reached in November. I feel that it is a fair settlement. Further litigation would only prolong the process. I believe that the decision was reached with a great deal of effort. The time was right to settle.

If further litigation is pursued, more of my money as a taxpayer will be spent. Stop spending the taxpayers' money as well as Microsoft's money and resolve the settlement. I think what is important are the benefits we will receive from the settlement that has already been reached. I especially feel that the computers and software in the schools are essential for our children in this age of technology.

Microsoft is making a good faith effort to appease its critics with this settlement. The provisions requiring information sharing and non-retaliation agreements will increase competition in the technology market. I support the settlement and look forward to the end of this case.

Sincerely,